Handheld Chemical & Biological Agent Detector

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Technology/Market Driver

Homeland Security and military operations are driving extensive public and private sector development efforts in chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive sensor technology.

Symptoms of Nerve Agent Poisoning

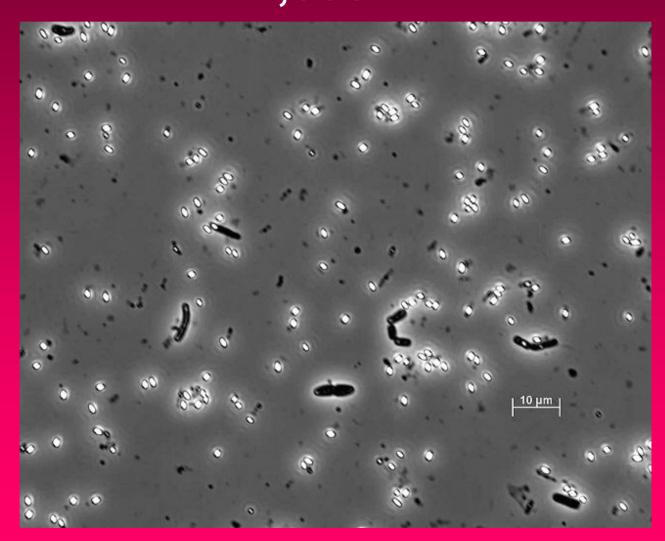
Example: Soman

	Automatic Nervous	Central Nervous
Neuromuscular Effects	System Effects	System Effects
Twitching	Reduced vision	Headache
 Weakness 	Small pupil size	 Convulsions
 Paralysis 	 Drooling 	• Coma
Respiratory failure	Sweating	 Respiratory arrest
	 Diarrhea 	 Confusion
	 Nausea 	 Slurred speech
	 Abdominal pain 	 Depression
	 Vomiting 	Respiratory depression

B. anthracis Spores 1,000X

Fever
Difficulty Breathing
Headache
Vomiting
Chills
Weakness
Abdominal pain
Chest pain
Shock

>90% motality



Competition

- Chemical Detectors (e.g., Inficon & Smiths Detection)
 - Various technologies exist most not sufficiently selective
 - Systems are not well-suited to security requirements speed & portability

- Biological Detectors (e.g., Anzenbio & Idaho Technology)
 - Numerous DNA and antibody systems in development
 - Unable to detect a broad range of pathogens with a single sensor

Portable GC-MS System

Inficon





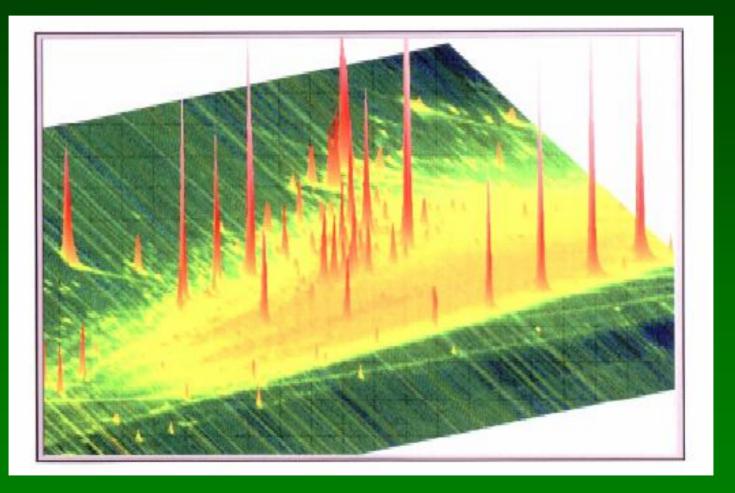
Description of New Technology

Miniature multidimensional combination

- -Gas chromatography
- —Ion mobility spectrometry
- —Ion trap mass spectrometry

Multidimensional Separation

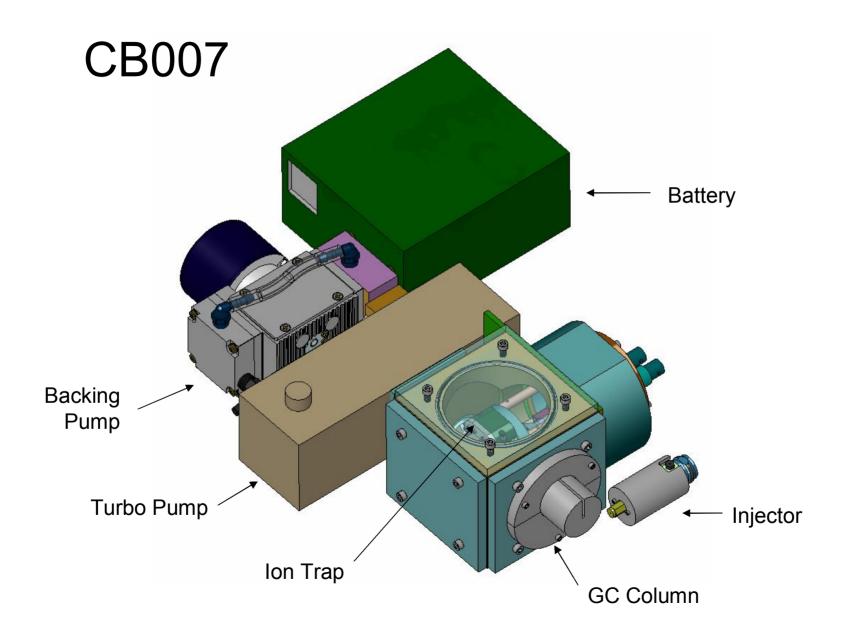
3-D Chemical Fingerprint



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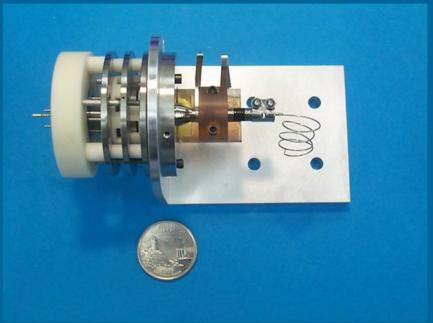
Detector Characteristics

- Applicable to both chemical and biological agents
- Self-contained, except sampling syringe and bacterial agent catalysis cartridge
- Weight: < 10 pounds
- Power:
 - Battery operated (12/24 VDC, BA 5590)
 - AC Power Adaptable
- Easy to operate (3-button control)
- Complete test in less than 5 min



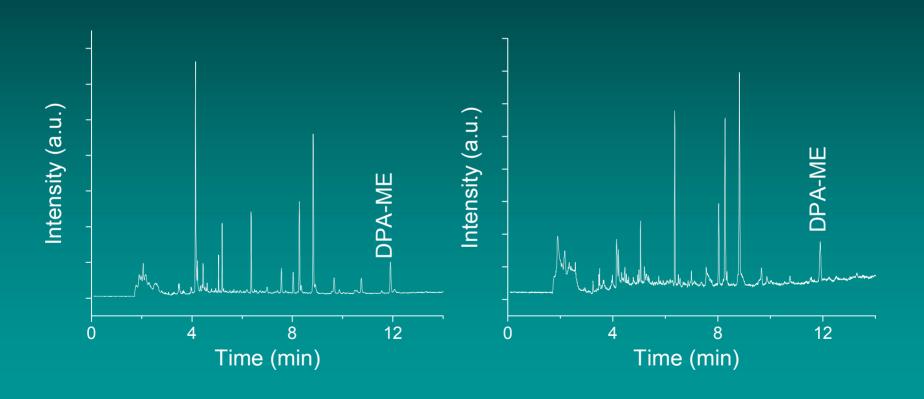
Ion Trap Assembly





GC-MS Profiles from Bacterial Spore Catalytic Reaction

(Autoclaved Spores)



B. Anthracis

B. Anthracis (Sterne Strain)

Project Plan

May 2003 Begin feasibility study

Oct 2003 Begin module development

Dec 2004 Begin module integration

Dec 2005 Complete integrated prototype*

*Deliver 7 units to DTRA for testing/evaluation

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Membrane Sampling Syringe (MSS)

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Funding

•	Commi	itted	next 6	6 months
		ILLUG		

 Defense Threat Reduction Agency 	\$1,380,000
 National Science Foundation 	102,000
- Dugway Proving Ground	31 250

• Projected 2006

 Defense Threat Reduction Agency 	?	
 Joint Program Office 	?	
 National Science Foundation 	102,000	
 – Dugway Proving Ground 	375.000	

Estimated Current Market

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Military & homeland defense (>$30 billion)
Medical (>$10.5 billion)
Environmental (>$2.6 billion)
Food safety (>$560 million)
First responders (e.g., police, firemen) ?
Workplace monitoring ?
Pharmaceutical ?
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Technology Transfer Experience

- 13 patents issued
- 5 patents pending
- 5 successful start-up companies
 - Alpine West Laboratories
 - MicroSeparations
 - Chromatography Conferences
 - Lee Scientific
 - Sensar Corporation

COEP Proposal

- Support completion of prototype detector and provide bridge funding
- Develop advanced sampling systems for air and water
- Further miniaturize detector
- Develop applications other than homeland security and military

Opportunity

- Proven novel technology
- Prototypes ready in 6 months
- Tremendous market potential
- Intellectual property in place
- Experienced development team
- Ready initial market